

NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): Inquiry Management System, Inquiry Management Method, Inquiry Sorting
System and Inquiry Sorting Method

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- ☒ 23 pages of Specification/Claims 1-16/Abstract are attached.
☒ Formal drawings (Fig(s). 1-8; 8 sheet(s)) is/are attached.
☒ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2003-023349 filed January 31, 2003 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
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☒ Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

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BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	22 - 20	= 2
INDEP CLAIMS	4 - 3	= 1
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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 385
x 9 =	\$
x 43 =	\$
+145 =	\$
TOTAL	\$

OR
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OR
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OR
OR

LARGE ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 770
x 18	\$ 36
x 86	\$ 86
+290	\$290
TOTAL	\$ 1182

- ☒ A check for the filing fee is not enclosed at this time.

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